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**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-01441-JDB**

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL  
RESPONSIBILITY v. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF  
STATE

Assigned to: Judge John D. Bates

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 06/18/2018

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

**Plaintiff**

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RESPONSIBILITY**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
06/18/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against STATE DEPARTMENT ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5540374) filed by PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Declaration Corporate Disclosure, # <u>3</u> Summons State Department, # <u>4</u> Summons US AG, # <u>5</u> Summons US Att DC)(Carlesco, Adam) (Entered: 06/18/2018)
06/18/2018	<u>2</u>	LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY (zsth) (Entered: 06/20/2018)

06/18/2018		Case Assigned to Judge John D. Bates. (zsth) (Entered: 06/20/2018)
06/20/2018	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to STATE DEPARTMENT, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zsth) (Entered: 06/20/2018)
07/19/2018	<u>4</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 6/25/2018. (Carlesco, Adam) (Entered: 07/19/2018)
07/19/2018	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 6/25/2018. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 7/25/2018. (Carlesco, Adam) (Entered: 07/19/2018)
07/19/2018	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE served on 7/16/2018 (Carlesco, Adam) (Entered: 07/19/2018)
07/24/2018	<u>7</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 07/24/2018)
07/24/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>7</u> defendant's unopposed motion for extension of time, and the entire record herein, it is hereby ORDERED that the motion is GRANTED; it is further ORDERED that defendant shall file an answer or otherwise respond to the complaint by not later than August 25, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge John D. Bates on 7/24/2018. (lcjdb2) (Entered: 07/24/2018)
07/26/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Answer due by 8/25/2018. (tb) (Entered: 07/26/2018)
08/20/2018	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE.(McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 08/20/2018)
08/23/2018	<u>9</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Paula Naomi Dinerstein on behalf of PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY (Dinerstein, Paula) (Main Document 9 replaced on 8/24/2018) (zjf). (Entered: 08/23/2018)
08/23/2018	<u>10</u>	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE as to PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY. Attorney Adam Scott Carlesco terminated. (Carlesco, Adam) (Entered: 08/23/2018)
08/23/2018	<u>11</u>	ORDER directing the parties to propose a briefing schedule. See text of Order for details. Signed by Judge John D. Bates on 8/23/2018. (lcjdb1) (Entered: 08/23/2018)
08/23/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: The parties shall confer and submit by 9/21/2018 a proposed briefing schedule or, separate proposals in the event the parties cannot agree, for the filing of dispositive motions. (jth) (Entered: 08/23/2018)
09/20/2018	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Johnson, Wyneva) (Entered: 09/20/2018)
09/21/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>12</u> parties' joint status report, and the entire record herein, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties' shall submit a joint status report by not later than October 31, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge John D. Bates on 09/21/2018. (lcjdb1) (Entered: 09/21/2018)
09/21/2018	<u>13</u>	ERRATA by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Supplement)(McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 09/21/2018)
09/21/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 10/31/2018. (jth) (Entered: 09/21/2018)
10/31/2018	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 10/31/2018)
11/01/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>14</u> parties' joint status report, and the entire record herein, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall submit a joint status report by not later than December 6, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge John D. Bates on 11/1/18. (lcjdb1) (Entered: 11/01/2018)

11/01/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/6/2018. (dot) (Entered: 11/02/2018)
12/06/2018	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 12/06/2018)
12/06/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>15</u> parties' joint status report, and the entire record herein, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall submit a joint status report by not later than January 16, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge John D. Bates on 12/6/18. (lcjdb1) (Entered: 12/06/2018)
12/07/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 1/16/2019. (tb) (Entered: 12/07/2018)
01/11/2019	<u>16</u>	Consent MOTION to Stay , MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>in Light of Lapse of Appropriations</i> by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Hudak, Brian) (Entered: 01/11/2019)
01/17/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>16</u> the government's consent motion to stay case and motion for extension of time to file a joint status report, and the entire record herein, it is hereby ORDERED that the motions are GRANTED; it is further ORDERED that this case is STAYED pending restoration of appropriations to the Department of State and the Department of Justice; it is further ORDERED that the parties shall file a joint status report by not later than 14 days after appropriations are restored. Signed by Judge John D. Bates on 1/17/19. (lcjdb1) (Entered: 01/17/2019)
02/08/2019	<u>17</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>File a Joint Status Report</i> by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 02/08/2019)
02/11/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>17</u> the government's consent motion for extension of time to file a joint status report, and the entire record herein, it is hereby ORDERED that the motion is GRANTED; it is further ordered that the parties shall file a joint status report by not later than February 22, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge John D. Bates on 2/11/19. (lcjdb1) (Entered: 02/11/2019)
02/13/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 2/22/2019. (tb) (Entered: 02/13/2019)
02/22/2019	<u>18</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 02/22/2019)
02/22/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>18</u> the parties' joint status report, and the entire record herein, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a joint status report by not later than April 26, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge John D. Bates on 1/22/19. (lcjdb1) (Entered: 02/22/2019)
02/23/2019		Set/Reset Deadline: Joint Status Report due by 4/26/2019. (jth) (Entered: 02/23/2019)
04/17/2019	<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 04/17/2019)
04/17/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>19</u> the parties' joint status report, and the entire record herein, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a joint status report by not later than May 22, 2019. Signed by Judge John D. Bates on 4/17/19. (lcjdb1) (Entered: 04/17/2019)
04/17/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 5/22/2019. (tb) (Entered: 04/17/2019)
05/22/2019	<u>20</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 05/22/2019)
05/23/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>20</u> the parties' joint status report, and the entire record herein, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a joint status report by not later than June 21, 2019. Signed by Judge John D. Bates on 5/23/19. (lcjdb1) (Entered: 05/23/2019)